COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN ASSESSMENT OF KENTUCKY'S)	
ELECTRIC GENERATION, TRANSMISSION,)	ADMINISTRATIVE
AND DISTRIBUTION NEEDS)	CASE NO. 2005-00090

<u>ORDER</u>

On February 7, 2005, the Governor issued Executive Order 2005-121 directing the Public Service Commission ("Commission"), in conjunction with the Commerce Cabinet and the Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet, to develop a Strategic Blueprint for the continued use and development of electric energy. In response to that directive, the Commission established this case by Order dated March 10, 2005, and issued initial information requests. Since then, numerous parties have intervened and the Commission has issued further information requests.

The Commission now finds that a Technical Conference should be held to obtain additional comment in this case. The Technical Conference, to be held at the Commission's offices on June 14, 2005, beginning at 8:30 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, is an opportunity for interested parties and members of the public to present additional information to the Commission for consideration in developing the Strategic Blueprint. The format will consist of three panels of witnesses in the morning, with an open comment period for the public in the afternoon. The first panel will consist of electric utilities that are jurisdictional to the Commission. The second panel will consist of electric

industry representatives that are not jurisdictional to the Commission. The third panel will represent consumer, academic, and environmental concerns.

The invited witnesses for the morning session, who are listed in Appendix A of this Order, have been asked to submit written comments of a reasonable length to the Commission no later than Wednesday, June 8, 2005. Those comments will be posted on the Commission's Web Page, http://psc.ky.gov/pschome.htm. At the Technical Conference, the witnesses will have five minutes to summarize their written comments, to be followed by questions from the Commission and Staff. The morning panels should focus their comments in response to the following questions:

- 1. What additional information or data, if any, should the Commission consider in developing the Strategic Blueprint?
- 2. What are the top issues facing the electric power industry in Kentucky over the next 20 years?
- 3. What barriers exist, if any, to meeting future investment needs in electric power infrastructure in Kentucky?

Participants in the afternoon session should plan to comment no longer than five minutes on any or all of these three questions. Anyone wishing to address the Commission at the afternoon session is encouraged to contact the Deputy Executive Director's Office at *psc.info@ky.gov* or (502) 564-3940, preferably by June 10, 2005.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that a Technical Conference is scheduled for June 14, 2005, beginning at 8:30 a.m., in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, at which interested parties and members of the public may present information to the Commission for consideration in developing the

Strategic Blueprint. The morning session shall be for invited speakers, and the afternoon session shall be for public comment.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 11th day of May, 2005.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

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APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2005-00090 DATED May 11, 2005

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